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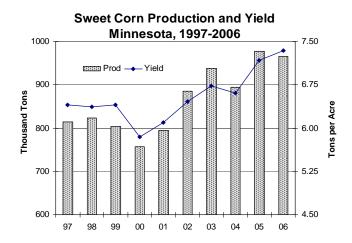
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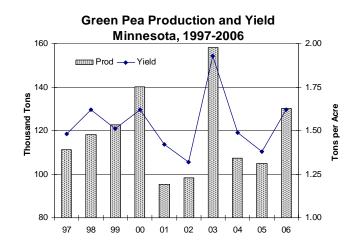
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CORN, GREEN PEA AND CARROT PRODUCTION IN 2006

SWEET CORN FOR PROCESSING: Minnesota 2006 production was estimated at 965,550 tons, down 1 percent from last year's production estimate of 977,770, according to USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. A new record yield of 7.34 tons per acre surpassed last year's record yield of 7.17 tons. Planted acreage was estimated at 135,200 acres compared to 143,500 acres in 2005. Harvested acreage of 131,600 acres was 4,800 acres less than the previous year. Average value per ton was \$67.20 compared to \$71.60 in 2005.

GREEN PEA FOR PROCESSING: Minnesota 2006 production was estimated at 130,190 tons, a 24 percent increase from 2005 production. The average yield, at 1.62 tons per acre, was up 17 percent from last year's yield of 1.38 tons per acre. Planted acres in 2006 were estimated at 86,700 acres, which was 9,500 acres more than the previous year. Harvested acreage increased to 80,200 compared to 76,200 acres in 2005. Average value per ton was \$307.00, compared to \$384.00 per ton in 2005.





CARROTS FOR PROCESSING: Minnesota 2006 production was estimated at 34,950 tons, an increase of 28 percent above 2005 production of 27,220 tons. The average yield of 30.13 tons per acre was down 5.22 tons from 2005. Planted acreage was estimated at 1,230 acres, 370 acres more than in 2005. Harvested acreage, at 1,160 acres, was 390 acres more than 2005. Average value per ton was estimated at \$55.50 per ton, compared to \$78.10 in 2005.

¹ Value includes price received by the producer plus expenses incurred by the processor to get the commodity to the processing plant door.